Ceremonial Occasions


TLS 2pp 18 Aug 1969 LA Salisbury to Portal Hatfield
TLS 2pp 25 Nov 1970
W7 Copy TL [5] Canon Bentley to LA Salisbury Windsor
NL 53 more letters from LA Salisbury Stained Glass Window at St George's Chapel

TLS 1p 18 June 1969 A Selwyn (?) to Portal St James' Palace
NL Annex: Proposal to admit Women to Order of Bath

Seven documents relating to Opening of Parliament
28 October 1969

Two documents relating to Memorial Service for LA Bridges 15 October 1969

TLS 1p 18 Aug 1969 LA Salisbury to Portal Hatfield
Two documents relating to State Opening of Parliament 9 November 1965

Programme for Funeral of W Churchill 30 Jan 1965
Three documents relating to Portal's Annual payment to the Garter Fee Account

Programme for State Opening of Parliament 31 Oct 1961
Four documents dealing with St George's Chapel 1958/89
Apel

TLS 1p 23 Nov 1955 Sir J Bellow to KS of Garter Etc
Wearing of knee breech

Eight documents relating to the 1953 Coronation, including:

- Press Photographs
- TLS 1 p. 2 Feb 1953 Sir W. Churchill to Portal (London)
- TLS 2 p. 26 Jan 1953 Portal to Sir W. Churchill

- Recommending Sophia, for a peersage (he got a KB only)

Envelope containing twelve documents relating to the funeral of King George VI (1952) and a Garter ceremony in 1950.

Twelve documents relating to Portal’s appointment as Deputy Lieutenant of Sussex in 1951 & related matters.

A. Doc. 5 1 p. 8 June 1953 Copy of Portal’s letter to Queen re. Coronation.

Three documents (TLS) L’Exeter to L’Postal re. gift to King & Queen from holders of Garter (1948)

Eight documents relating to marriage of Princess Elizabeth to Prince Philip (1947)


Five documents plus 3 photographs of King George VI meeting the Garter relating to the Garter.

TLS 1 p. 26 March 1952 Sir S. Belcher (Saver) to Portal
A folder of correspondence dating from 1945 onwards of limited interest to anyone, even as they relate to the British Aluminium takeover. The more important ones are listed below:

**Receipt** 1p 13 April 1959 Kenneth Brown Baker, Solicitor, Strand WC2
Receipt for £155 7s 6d from LA Postal (his half share) for advice on claims against the British Aluminium Co Ltd for loss of office. (Postal got £30,000 free of tax - E. Richards p.379)

**TL [5]** 1p (envelope) 15 December 1958 Postal to Superintendant Postal's draft letter to The Times asserting that British Aluminium's employees' interests should be taken into account.

**ALS 2pp** 13 Nov 1945 Sir W Freeman to Postal ECI
Advises Postal not to join board of BOAC.
Box C
Folder C2 Overseas Business Trips

South Africa 9-12 January 1968
Itinerary, Portal's MS diary,
Leather ring binder, Canada 1958.
Portal's MS diary.

East Africa February - March 1959
Itineraries (Portal & Lady Portal) &
Correspondence.

West Indies & British Guiana Feb - March 1954

** Seven letters from Portal to Lady Portal (one
of only two groups found so far in this
archive)

ALS 2pp 15 Feb [1954] Portal to Lady Portal NY
ALS 4pp 18 Feb 1954 " " Trinidad
ALS 4pp 24 Feb 1954 " " Brit Guiana
ALS 2pp 27 Feb 1954 " " Grenada
ALS 2pp 6 March 1954 " " Antigua
ALS 4pp 8 March 1954 " " Barbados
ALS 5pp 12 March 1954 " "

T Doc 14 pp Portal's report to Barclays SEO on
the above West Indian trips in 1954.

T Doc 8 pp Oct 1949 Portal's draft, corrected
report on his trip for Barclays
to South America

Egypt May 1948

** Four letters from Portal to Lady Portal
ALS 2pp 3 May 1948 Portal to Lady Portal Luxor
ALS 2pp. 10 May 1948 Postal to Lady Portal Cairo
ALS 3pp. 14 May 1948 Postal to Lady Portal Cairo
ALS 4pp. 21 May 1948 Postal to LadyPortal Alexandria

TEAC 8pp. May 1948 Postal’s report to Barclays on the above trip to Sudan, Eritrea & Egypt.
Box C
folder C 2

Speeches

Travellers Club 24 May 1949 11 pp
Travellers Club [Nz] 1950 8 pp
Barclays Bank 8 Feb 1953 9 pp
Chaffont (Brit Ann) 27 Apr 1953 10 pp
Chaffont ["""] April 1955 8 pp
Chaffont ["""] May 1957 3 pp
Bair Caneen ["""] (Canada) 14 June 1958 16 pp
Barclays Bank 18 May [Nz] 8 pp
Private Correspondence

A fat folder. Much of its contents is of little interest – bills from tradesmen & professionals, letters of thanks for letters of sympathy to widows, invitations to fish or shoot. Also his solicitor’s / trustee’s letters.

The more interesting items are separately listed below:

TLS 2pp 18 Dec 1970 T Howard Wood to Portal Chicago
ALS 1p 25 March 1970 Michael Holroyd to Portal W14
ALS 2pp 28 Feb 1970 Lady Dowding “ ” Kent
ALS 2pp 19 Dec 1966 Winifred Lowrisson “ ” SW1
[“Miss Lowrisson”, Portal’s secretary.

ALS 1p 4 May 1966 Randolph Churchill “ ” Suffolk
[About Lord Moran presumably.]

ALS 1p 30 April 1965 Sir E Sowers to Portal Hands with extract from Fowler’s M.E.U. on “ Cannibalism."

Telegram 1p 30 Nov 1945-] WS Churchill to Portal SW7
TLS 1p 14 June 1961 West Sussex Q. “ ” Sussex
[About Mary’s

TLS 1p 2 March 1960 Mountbatten “ ” SW1
TLS 1p (copy) 31 August 1959 Eisenhower to Ld Baillien 2C
TLS 1p 24 July 1958 WS Churchill to Portal SW7
Invitation to dinner.

TLS 2pp 11 April 1958 Lady Mountbatten “ ” SW1
Invitation to lunch 67 Q.E.H. The O.M.
& Portal’s reply
ALS 4pp 19th March 1952 Q Eliot the GM to Portal Buck Pal
TLS 2pp 27 July 1979 Barclays Bank " " Southampton
TLS 1p 20 Jan 1969 The Sec. to Queen " " Sandringham
TLS 1p 7 Aug 1947 Archbp Fisher " " Canterbury
       "76p Address in Westminster Abbey
Receipt 1p 24 Dec 1946 Spinks
       Two ancient Egyptian hawks in
       sycamore wood found at Thebes £6 10 0
ALS 2pp 4 Dec 1946 "May" to Portal Winchester
       "May" is Portal's godmother.
ALS 1p 25 Oct 1945 Lady (Miss then) Churchill to Portal SW7
TLS 1p 25 Oct 1945 Trenchard to Lady Portal SW7
TLS 1p 1 Jan 1946 " " " "
Telegram 1p [December NZ] WS Churchill to " "
10 Documents 1941-1943 Concerning Salt Spray Cottage, Hants
5 Documents 1943-1945 " " Motor Boat &
       Yacht "Scylla"
11 Documents Various Requests for autographs &
       Portal's replies.

An envelope containing 25 ALS from Portal to
       Lady Portal from 1930s to 1960s.
Many can not be dated as
       Portal is apt to omit the year
       from the dates.
       From England, Scotland, Canada, Cairo.
       Including ALS 3pp 22nd July 1961 - their
       42nd Wedding Anniversary from Canada.
       
       and Telegram 1p Aug 1969 P's recall to London.
& ALS 2pp 11 Oct 1940 Portal to Mannes Harvey
       on being appointed CAS.

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An envelope containing 24 (approx) letters to Portal’s parents from Aden, 1934 & 1935.
From Portal - 19
Joan Portal - 4
Rosemary - 1